# Home and Community Based Services Meeting Summary January 2010

#### Current

1. Continue support for home delivered meals and groceries

# **Action Steps:**

- Continue work with Top Banana
- Encourage development of community Villages
- Explore partnership with Bethesda Help and other non-profits which deliver meals or groceries.

Measures: # of meals delivered; # of grocery deliveries

2. Continue support to existing village models in County

## **Action Steps**

- Hold quarterly aging in place issues seminars.
- Provide in-depth knowledge assistance and explore opportunities for collaboration and information sharing with active and emerging village organizations.
- Produce and distribute "toolkit" for groups considering establishing a village organization
- Collaborate with Housing and Civic and Social Engagement workgroups.

<u>Measures:</u> # of active villages in Montgomery County; # of village organizations in progress; survey of village needs

#### **Short Term**

1. Collaborate with partners, such as Montgomery College, to support development of workforce training programs to increase supply of workers that provide essential services to seniors.

## **Action Steps**

• Refer to Employment workgroup.

2. Research and Planning: investigate best and promising practices that can be applied to Montgomery County.

# **Action Steps**

• Conduct and compile research.

Measure: Completion of research

3. Communication and outreach efforts to educate public about issues that can help them remain in the community.

#### Action Steps

- Collaborate with Communication and Outreach Workgroup
- Collaborate with Housing Workgroup

# **Long Term**

1. Enhance supportive services such as chore, Personal care, and home modifications.

## **Action Steps**

- Collaborate with non-profits to explore opportunities
- Investigate grant opportunities.
- Investigate and increase public/private partnerships.

<u>Measure</u>: # of individuals receiving chore, personal care, and home modification services.

2. Increase funding for adult day activity centers and respite care

## Action Steps

- Investigate grant opportunities.
- Investigate and increase public/private partnerships.

<u>Measure:</u> # of individuals receiving support via adult activity centers and respite care programs.

3. Investigate the possibility of creating a service credit model where people can accrue credits by providing assistance to others that they can use for themselves or family members.

# **Action Steps**

• Investigate community service bank models where this is being done, including Fairfax Aging-in-Place and Columbia Association.

Measure: Completion of research